

**RULES 63 AND 67 (37 C.F.R. 1.63 and 1.67)
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FOR UTILITY/DESIGN/CIP/PCT NATIONAL APPLICATIONS

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I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: APPARATUS FOR PREPARING SOIL FOR THE PLACEMENT OF SEED AND ADDITIVE, the specification of which: **(mark only one)**

- X (a) is attached hereto.
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims as amended by any amendment referred to above or as allowed as indicated above.

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PRIOR FOREIGN PATENTS

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NONE					

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PRIOR U.S. OR PCT APPLICATIONS

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